



Spring 2013

# SilverLining

Nevada Talking Book Services

## Magazines on Digital Cartridges

### Eligibility

Persons unable to read or use print materials as a result of temporary or permanent visual or physical limitations.

### Talking Books

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### Hours

Monday-Friday  
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Closed State  
holidays

If you are a patron of Nevada Talking Book Services (NTBS) with magazine subscriptions, you began receiving magazines on cartridges (MOC) in early April. The distribution of both formats will continue until May 31, 2013. After May 31, only magazines on cartridges will be distributed.

The magazines are on light blue cartridges shipped in red containers. You must return magazines by flipping the mailing card on the container. The magazines go back to the contractor who produced and distributed them.

Please take care to not mix our books up with their magazines. If in doubt, please call us for clarification. We will be glad to help you figure it out.

The MOC will allot you a specific number of magazine cartridges you can have out at a time. If you exceed this number, distribution will cease and NTBS will contact you.

Weekly magazine cartridges are loaned for three weeks. Monthly magazine cartridges are loaned for six weeks. These loan periods include shipping time to you and from you. When you have three overdue cartridges, magazine service will be deferred, and no more cartridges will go out. All overdue cartridges will need to be returned to resume distribution.

For uninterrupted service, please return your magazines on cartridge as soon as possible. Please call if you have questions.

(Adapted from NLS' Magazine on Cartridge (MOC) Administration document)

## The Difference Between OPAC and BARD

**OPAC** (Online Public Access Catalog): Anyone can access the OPAC at any time 24 hours a day without being logged in. The OPAC is used to run a search to see what titles we currently have by an author or in a particular subject of interest. If you want to see what is out on loan to you or add book titles to your request file you need to be logged into your account. We provide you with your user name and password.

Computer peripherals: None are needed

Internet connection: Connection is needed

Computer Skills: Basic knowledge

**BARD** (Braille and Audio Reading Download): The BARD System is an extension of our service used to download books directly from the National Library Service. There is an internet application process which once approved, if all information provided matches our database, allows the user to search for and download books to a computer and transfer those unzipped files to a flash drive or purchased cartridge to play in the NLS digital player. *Please note that a flash drive will drain your battery faster!*

Upon approval of your application, your username becomes the email address you provided. You are sent an email with a one-time use password; you will be prompted to change it the first time you log in.

Computer peripherals: A purchased cartridge and connection cable or flash drive.

Internet connection: High speed connection needed.

Computer skills: Moderate knowledge of downloading, saving, unzipping, cutting, pasting and creating folders.

## Requesting a Replacement Machine

Like all equipment, your player will eventually need service.

If your player malfunctions, simply call a Reader Advisor (RA) at 775-684-3354 or 1-800-922-9334.

If an RA is unable to correct the problem over the phone, you will be instructed to return the machine to the library; we will send a replacement machine within 24 hours.

By calling us before shipping your player back, we can send a replacement right away. If you send your player back without talking to us first, a replacement player will not go out until we have talked to you.

If you do not have the original box, you can use the box we send the new player in.

Like the mailing of the books, the players can be mailed postage free.

**Nevada Titles**

Nevada Recordings is an in-house program that produces audio versions of Nevada related books in digital format narrated by volunteers.

The following are some of the titles recently completed by this program. If you would like to request any of these titles, you may submit your request in writing or by phone.

**New Titles**

**Simich, Jerry L. and Thomas C. Wright, editors     The Peoples of Las Vegas**  
NVD01206     Narrated by Lila Halpern

Thirteen profiles of different ethnic groups found in Las Vegas highlight the city's remarkable diversity. 2005.

**Makley, Michael J.     A Short History of Lake Tahoe**

NVD01212     Narrated by Millie Solley

This history of Lake Tahoe describes the area's use by the Washoe tribe, the deforestation of the woods used for building up the Comstock mines, and the current conflict between environmental preservation and economic development. 2011.

**Hulse, James W.     Nevada's Environmental Legacy**

NVD01216     Narrated by Millie Solley

This book examines the various environmental issues plaguing Nevada's landscape, especially those caused by mining, overuse of water supplies, and military projects - including nuclear testing. 2009.

**Newly Digitized Titles (converted from analog to digital)**

**Twain, Mark     Mark Twain in Virginia City**

NVD01107/NVA01107     Narrated by Gary Adams

Contains chapters excerpted from Twain's Roughing It that have to do with his time in Nevada. 1985.

**Laxalt, Robert     A Cup of Tea in Pamplona**

NVD01077/NVA01077     Narrated by S. Vereka

Gregorio, a Basque smuggler, tries to convince Nikolas to take over his smuggling route over the frontier border between France and Spain. An ill-fated smuggling trip forces Nikolas to face the consequences of his choice. 1985.

### **Staff Bio:**

Sam Arnn has worked for Nevada Talking Books for over 15 years. Her primary responsibilities are circulation and bibliographic control, but with her tenure, she has knowledge of every facet of this program. She also is a reader adviser and helps with BARD downloading and administration. She knows a lot about the program and how to make the system work for the benefit of the patron. Sam's current big project is weeding the RCs from the collection to make room for the newly arriving digital books.

She was born in Las Vegas and shortly thereafter moved to Carson City where her parents opened a Western Auto store. She grew up helping customers, changing tires, building bicycles, and stocking shelves. She attended beauty school and still works part time in that field. Along with her two jobs she also raises guide dog puppies and is currently raising her 14<sup>th</sup> puppy.

### **To avoid delays in receiving new books:**

Please open only one book at a time so that you put the right book in the right case.  
Also, please double check before mailing that the book is in the case.

**This newsletter is available in alternative formats upon request.**

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